

COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL Agenda Highlights for June 14, 2010

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IMPROVING CITY STREETS: Public Service Committee Chair <u>Hearcel F. Craig</u> is sponsoring *ordinance 0813-2010*, which authorizes the transfer of \$5,748,126.00 from the Special Income Tax Fund to the Street & Highways GO Bonds Fund and the appropriation and expenditure of those funds for the second phase of the 2010 road resurfacing plan. The project will repair and resurface 35 city streets and construct 398 ADA curb ramps. The work consists of milling the existing pavement, overlaying with new asphalt concrete, and replacing curbs and sidewalks associated with the installation of the ADA wheelchair ramps. <u>Click here</u> for a complete list of city streets included in the Resurfacing 2010 – Project 2.

INTERNATIONAL SUBSIDIARY MOVING CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS TO COLUMBUS:

Councilmember Andrew J. Ginther, chair of the Finance and Economic Development Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 0818-2010 to approve a five-year, 25% Job Growth Incentive agreement for La Senza, Inc. La Senza, a Canadian fashion retailer with more than 320 stores throughout Canada and operations in 45 other countries through its franchise-operated stores, is proposing to relocate its corporate headquarters from Dorval, Quebec, Canada to Columbus. The company plans to invest approximately \$1.2 million in building improvements and personal property and create 80 new full-time jobs. The company currently has no employees or operations in the U.S.

ZOO DAYS AT CITY COUNCIL: Some furry friends from the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium will visit Council Chambers to help promote the 2010 *Melvin B. Dodge Summer Zoo Days*. The program between the City and the Zoo is named in honor of the former director of the Recreation and Parks Department. *Ordinance 0576-2010*, adopted in May and sponsored by Recreation and Parks Committee Chair <u>Priscilla R. Tyson</u>, will help approximately 2,000 area children involved in programs at Columbus Recreation Centers enjoy Zoo Days this summer. The Columbus Zoological Park Association will provide in-kind services in the amount of \$17,500 to be used toward transportation, novelties and admission for children in 2010.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS CONTINUE: In an effort to ensure that Columbus remains one of the cleanest cities in the nation, the city of Columbus is investing over \$100 million in improvements to the Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant. As part of this ongoing effort, Utilities Committee Chair Eileen Y. Paley is sponsoring ordinance 0568-2010 to authorize the expenditure of \$4,947,875.00 from the Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan fund for a construction contract in connection with the Jackson Pike new headworks project. The headworks is the gateway in the wastewater treatment process, removing materials that could damage expensive machinery in the plant. The overall improvements will increase treatment capacity at the Jackson Pike facility to 150 million gallons per day, cut sewer overflows and basement backups and improve the quality of area rivers and streams. The Jackson Pike facility serves areas west of I-71 and north of the southern leg of I-270.

REPLENISHING SECURE MATERIALS FOR THE VITAL STATISTICS OFFICE: The Columbus Health Department is required to purchase security paper for birth and death certificates for the Office of Vital Statistics. The paper is mandated by the Ohio Department of Health and must be purchased from the State of Ohio. Health and Human Development Committee Chair Charleta B. Tavares is sponsoring ordinance 0803-2010, which authorizes the expenditure of \$10,000.00 for the purchase of 100 boxes of security paper from the State Treasurer. The Vital Statistics Office issues certified copies of certificates for births and deaths occurring from 1908 to the present in Franklin County. The office also issues burial transit permits, helps single parents with completing "Acknowledgement of Paternity Affidavits "and assists customers with correcting information on birth and death certificates issued in Franklin County.